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I passed the entire morning discussing the loyalty cases of Messrs. Davies and Vincent and the security case of Mr. and Mrs. Foy Kohler.

I went to see the President at the White House and he cleared, for insertion in an announcement to be made by the Department in connection with the Vincent case, the following language: "The Department of State has today suspended Mr. John Carter Vincent. The recommendation of the Loyalty Review Board of the Civil Service Commission has been brought to the attention of the President, who will discuss the matter with Secretary of State Acheson upon the latter's return from the current NATO Conference in Paris."

I had lunch with Tom Finletter at the Pentagon.

Afterwards Roland Harriman called on me. He is President of the American Red Cross and wanted to know if, [illegible] I would be willing to do some work for the [illegible] headquarters. I told him I could not [illegible] summer.

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The French Ambassador came to see me in connection with the expiration on December 1 of the limitations on the German shipbuilding industry, synthetic oil and rubber, and ball bearings. M. Schuman had instructed him to insist in the strongest terms that these limitations be extended. Our position is against [redacted] and Bonnet will telegraph Schuman to discuss it with the Secretary in Paris.

Messrs. Lamb and Atwood met with me to go over the situation in regard to [illegible] the reorganization. They now wish to encourage the

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RFC to make a twelve-month contract for the purchase of Boli
tin, [redacted] coupled with an agreement to compensate the
American stockholders in the nationalized companies. So far as we
know, the only American stockholders are those who possess shares in
Patino mines. They are to give me a memorandum and recommendations
on this subject.

I called President Truman this afternoon, and obtained his clearance
for a statement issued by us today reaffirming our position in regard
to the non-forcible repatriation of prisoners in Korea.

We had a further discussion tonight about the loyalty and security
cases.

This has been a hideous day at the office.

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